

EXPRESSING GRATITUDE FOR
RICHARD SCHNEIDER'S SERVICE
TO WEST TENNESSEE

HON. JOHN S. TANNER

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 26, 2006

Mr. TANNER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize a gentleman who has become an important leader in west Tennessee, a journalist who has helped bring together a community, and a good friend of mine, Richard Schneider. After 14 years as executive editor of the Jackson Sun, Dick is moving to Florida to fill that same position at the Pensacola News Journal.

Since Dick came to Jackson in 1992, the Sun has moved from an afternoon paper to a morning paper, launched its Web site, broadened its coverage and publications, expanded its circulation and changed the way west Tennesseans get their news and information.

When our region was hit by tornadoes—first in 1999, again in May 2003 and yet again in April of this year—the Sun's news staff, under Dick's leadership, provided excellent and in-depth coverage of the storms, the fatalities they caused, the lives they touched, the communities they devastated and the rebuilding that still continues today. West Tennesseans will always appreciate the information they received from the Jackson Sun during those trying times.

The paper has also provided thorough coverage on other issues facing our area, including crime, health care, mortality, religion, veterans care, and race relations. Dick and the Jackson Sun have been recognized nationally by Gannett, the Associated Press and other organizations for the innovative ways the newspaper has increased its community outreach.

I have also enjoyed getting to know Dick on a personal level over the years. Jackson will miss Dick and his wife Lea, as well as their three children, Troy, Ashley, and Nicole. They have been important to our community over the years, and we wish them all the best.

Mr. Speaker, please join our colleagues and me in thanking Richard Schneider for his service to west Tennessee and congratulating him on his new opportunity.

PAYING TRIBUTE TO WALTER
CUCHINE

HON. JON C. PORTER

OF NEVADA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. PORTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Walter Cuchine for earning the Distinguished Nevadan Award, the most prestigious award given by the Nevada System of Higher Education Board of Regents. The award recognizes the achievements of those who have contributed to the cultural, scientific, or social advancement of Nevada.

Walter has helped to preserve the history of Nevada, especially Hawthorne, Lovelock, Ely, Fallon, and Lincoln County, as a Humanist-in-Residence, sponsored by the Nevada Humanities Committee. His experience studying Nevada's environment and history helped him to

become the Director of the Bristlecone Convention Center in Ely, and since 1993 he has served as the Eureka County Facilities Director, where he is responsible for programming at the Eureka Opera House and the Eureka Sentinel Museum. Through his position with Eureka County and as Humanist-in-Residence, Walter works with the Rural Presenters Network, the Nevada Commission on Tourism, and other organizations to encourage numerous groups to visit Eureka and enjoy its history and cultural sites.

Walter's passion for Nevada's history has also led him to become one of the foremost collectors of contemporary Nevada art and the owner of a book collection featuring Nevada-related works. Last summer, the Nevada Historical Society presented an exhibit featuring his art collection, which broke all of the society's previous attendance records.

Mr. Speaker, I am proud to congratulate Walter Cuchine, winner of the Distinguished Nevadan Award and supporter of Nevada's historic and cultural needs. His fundraising efforts and foundation of the Emerald Society have made a tremendous impact on the Las Vegas community.

A PROCLAMATION HONORING MR.
AND MRS. JAMES RUSSELL
CASH, III

HON. ROBERT W. NEY

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. NEY. Mr. Speaker, Whereas, J.R. and Allison Cash were united in marriage June 3, 2006 in Cadiz, Ohio; and Whereas, J.R. and Allison Cash have dedicated their lives to each other; and

Whereas, J.R. and Allison Cash shared their wedding day with family and friends; and

Whereas, J.R. and Allison Cash have illustrated the love and commitment necessary to live a long and beautiful life together.

Therefore, I join with their family, friends, and the entire 18th Congressional District of Ohio in congratulating J.R. and Allison Cash on the occasion of their marriage.

PAYING TRIBUTE TO LEONARD
GOODALL

HON. JON C. PORTER

OF NEVADA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. PORTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Leonard Goodall for earning the Distinguished Nevadan Award, the most prestigious award given by the Nevada System of Higher Education Board of Regents. The award recognizes the achievements of those who have contributed to the cultural, scientific, or social advancement of Nevada.

Leonard has a long history of service in education. He began his career as a professor at Arizona State University in 1962. He moved on to become Vice Chancellor of the University of Illinois-Chicago and then Chancellor of the University of Michigan-Dearborn. Leonard moved to Las Vegas in 1979, where he served as University of Nevada, Las Vegas

President and as a professor of Public Administration. Since his retirement, Leonard has served on the Nevada System of Higher Education's Retirement Plan Alternatives Committee.

Leonard has also had an impressive career as a writer, authoring or co-authoring eight books and countless articles on economics, government, and public administration. After his experiences living and working in Las Vegas, he co-authored "Nevada Government and Politics: Conservatism in an Open Society" and "Reinventing the System: Higher Education in Nevada."

Leonard has also been active in the community. He has served on the board of local chapters of numerous organizations, including the American Red Cross, the American Society for Public Administration, the Nevada Development Authority, and the Boulder Dam Council of Boy Scouts. He aided in the foundation of the Commercial Bank of Nevada, currently serving as its chairman of the board of directors, and he was appointed by the Clark County Commission to serve as the chairman of the Community Growth Task Force, a position he currently holds.

Mr. Speaker, I am proud to honor Leonard Goodall, a role model to the community and accurately named Distinguished Nevadan. His dedication to educating our future leaders and his passion for community service are truly admirable.

IN RECOGNITION OF CHIEF MARK
LAYHEW

HON. ELTON GALLEGLY

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 26, 2006

Mr. GALLEGLY. Mr. Speaker, I rise in recognition, and with thanks, for the 31½ years of exemplary service Police Chief Mark Layhew has given to the City of Simi Valley, California, as he prepares for his retirement next month.

Mr. Speaker, Simi Valley is my home. I served as mayor there for seven years before being elected to Congress. I am proud of the fact that Simi Valley is routinely recognized as one of the safest cities in the United States. That recognition is in large part due to the caliber of the men and women of the Simi Valley Police Department.

Mark has the distinction of being the first Simi Valley police officer to rise from the ranks as an entry level officer to Chief of Police. In many ways he epitomizes the maturity and professionalism of the department. Mark began with the department just four years after the city incorporated and he helped to shape it. He is not only the face of the Simi Valley Police Department, he is very much its soul.

Mark acquired his sense of duty from his late father, who gave a lifetime of dedicated service to his country as an FBI agent.

During his three decades with the department, Mark Layhew served in virtually every position. He served as an Operations Division Captain, Support Services Division Captain, Detective Unit Commander, SWAT Commander, Traffic Unit Commander, Watch Commander, and Special Administrative Commands.